

HORROR IN TURKEY BARED BY WITNESS

Dr. Mark Ward Confers With Near East Relief Officials on Aiding Refugees

TO MEET IN GERMANTOWN

Tales of Turkish atrocities in the interior of Asia Minor, just before the burning of Smyrna, were described today by an eye witness, Dr. Mark Ward, director of the Near East Relief Orphanage at Harpoot, who has just returned to this country after having been deported from Turkey by order of Kemal Pasha.

Tells of Gruesome Atrocities "Just before I was deported from Harpoot," said Dr. Ward, "I was an eye witness to the most gruesome atrocities—murders and ravages that rival even those experienced by the Christians at Smyrna."

"For days and nights there passed the Near East Orphanage at Harpoot, where we have been caring for nearly 6,000 orphan children, a long line of half-starved men, women and children, some of them so weak from the cold and from lack of food that they looked like skeletons."

"They begged us for bread and it was only after much persuasion that the Turkish army officials permitted us to give them a few ounces each of food. I was told it would be a waste of food."

"We Americans at Harpoot pleaded with the Turks to be permitted to take care of the women and children especially but were refused. The Turks told us very plainly that the Christians were all doomed to death."

"When the refugees became so weak they could hardly walk, they were thrown along the wayside to die. In a trip I made over the only road leading through Harpoot to the Syrian deserts on the south, we counted 15,000 bodies of men, women and children."

800 Out of 20,000 Survive "The Turks prided themselves they were doing the humane thing in not killing them all outright and in giving them a chance to get across the bleak mountain passes, where they might save themselves. You can imagine how many saved themselves when I tell you we learned of the safe arrival, through a blinding snowstorm, of 200 refugees out of a total of 20,000 we counted as they passed our orphanage."

"The Turks when sacking Marazoon, Sivas and Arankir, killed off all the able-bodied men and took with them into the army the girls and young women."

"I was repeatedly warned by Kemal Pasha to keep my mouth closed about these killings, but I frankly told him I would tell them to the world. Despite this threat, he gave me safe-conduct from Turkey, together with one of my associate workers. Later I learned he placed a price on my head when he heard that I had detailed my experiences to the British Foreign Office, which, in turn, made them public in the British Parliament."

Dr. Ward is a graduate of Amherst and Columbia Colleges. He went to Harpoot three years ago.

SCHOOL TEACHER MISSING

Domestic Troubles Blamed in Lewistown Affair

Bloomburg, Pa., Oct. 17. — Earl Strange, a member of the faculty of the Lewistown High School and treasurer of the class of 1920 of the Bloomsburg Normal School, has been missing for ten days, normal school authorities said yesterday in announcing that funds of the 1920 class in a local bank were still intact.

TURKS ARE FRIENDS TO U. S.

Paris, Oct. 17. — Turkish statesman, urged participation by the United States in Near East Conference. This exclusive interview grants National Dispatch, special correspondent, and sent directly to the Times. Evidence of the value of the Foreign News Service. "Take It a Habit."

WOMAN, JILTED, KILLS N. Y. BROKER

Victim Refuses to Discard Wife, and Is Shot by Visitor in His Office

ASSAILANT WALKS AWAY

New York, Oct. 17.—Oscar M. Martellere, real estate and insurance broker, who was shot five times by Mrs. Paulette Saludes, a diminutive French woman, late yesterday, died today in the Beckman Street Hospital. The shooting occurred in Martellere's downtown office and was witnessed by his stenographer, Miss Gertrude Thompson.

Mrs. Saludes, who made unsuccessful efforts to end her own life by jumping from the window of a lawyer's office, where she hurried after shooting Martellere, is under arrest.

Martellere's widow told police that Mrs. Saludes told her several days ago that she loved Martellere and that he had promised to marry her if he could get a divorce. Mrs. Martellere said she informed Mrs. Saludes she would not stand in her way, and asked her: "Are you sure he will marry you?" Mrs. Saludes replied, Mrs. Martellere said, "Well, if he doesn't something terrible will happen to him."

At the moment of the shooting his wife, Johannes Martellere, was waiting by appointment on Riverside drive for her husband to discuss a divorce, which she had told Mrs. Saludes last Saturday she was willing to grant, as she no longer loved her husband.

Mrs. Saludes, after a fruitless call in the morning at the broker's office had left a note for him, reading: "As you don't want to put a stop to it, I will. Am going right away to see Mr. James Turley, who is waiting for me. You will not be long to land in jail."

At 3 o'clock Mrs. Saludes reappeared and, walking directly to the desk where Martellere was sitting, and

according to Miss Thompson, said: "Are you going to do it?"

The reply "no" was heard, and immediately thereafter the woman at close range fired two shots into Martellere's body, the bullets entering his chest and abdomen.

The man fell to the floor, whereupon Mrs. Saludes fired three more shots at her victim as she stood above him.

The woman, who escaped from the building during the excitement, appeared later at the office of Mr. Turley, a lawyer in the Woolworth

Building, saying that it was she who had shot Martellere. Mr. Turley telephoned the police and caused her arrest.

FRENCH PARTIES WRANGLE

Moscovites and Old Social Democrats in Political Squabble

Paris, Oct. 17.—The battle between the "Moscovites" and the old Social Democrats, which is convulsing the French Communist Party, continued all day yesterday and is likely to occupy all of today's session of the party's second congress.

The Social Democrats accuse the "Moscovites" of wishing to militarize the party under the supreme command of Moscow, and demand the right to oppose this alleged scheme.

Two of the vice-presidents, MM. Adjali and Quac, in addresses yesterday

advocated propaganda among the natives in the French colonial possessions.

"You cannot bring about revolution without them," said Adjali. "Sixty million natives who are Frenchmen by force," said Quac, "are looking to the French Communists to do something for the oppressed."

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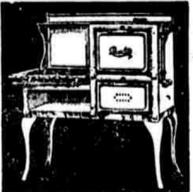
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